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transmitting, from the telecommunication network to the second telecommunication device, an **identified multimedia object assigned to the corresponding reference number** (emphasis added).

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calling party information C21 if the call comes from the terminal station3 of the terminal station number A2. See paragraph [0068].

This labeling of calling party information does not indicate a reference number attached to a frame or bitmap because the reference to the calling party information is performed by the calling end terminal station number and the called end terminal station number. This combination of numbers is dedicated to only one calling party information and, therefore, a reference number is not provided and not necessary.

Hence, Shibao does not anticipate each multimedia object having a **corresponding reference number**, defining an assignment mapping using at least one data set which specifies assignment of a specific call recipient to a **specific reference number of a specific multimedia object**, determining the **corresponding reference number** specified for the second telecommunication subscriber based on the assignment mapping, and transmitting an **identified multimedia object assigned to the corresponding reference number**.

Accordingly, claim 12 is not anticipated by Shibao and patentably distinguishes over the cited art.

Claims 13-22 depend from claim 12 and include all of the features of that claim, plus additional features that are not anticipated by the cited art and therefore patentably distinguish over the cited art.

#### **Conclusion**

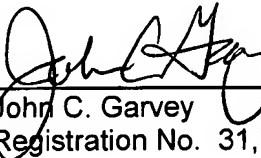
There being no further outstanding objections or rejections, it is submitted that the application is in condition for allowance. An early action to that effect is courteously solicited.

If there are any additional fees associated with filing of this Amendment, please charge the same to our Deposit Account No. 19-3935.

Respectfully submitted,

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